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FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

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SUBJ: PRESS ARRANGEMENTS -- ZURICH

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1. IRANIAN AMBASSADOR TO BERN ESFANDIARY INFORMED US MORNING OF FEBRUARY 17 THAT AS OF THIS TIME IRANIANS WILL NOT WISH TO HAVE PRESS INSIDE THE DOLDER GRAND HOTEL. ACCORDING TO PRESENT PLANNING THERE WILL BE NO OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRESS TO TAKE PICTURES OF SHAH ALONE OR WITH THE SECRETARY. ESFANDIARY WILL WISH TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI THIS AFTERNOON BEFORE MAKING FINAL ARRANGEMENTS. PAO STRAUS GOING TO MEET IRANIANS AT DOLDER IN LATE AFTERNOON AND WILL REPORT IF THERE IS ANY CHANGE IN PLANS.

2. ASSUMING ABOVE ARRANGEMENTS HOLD, LOCAL PRESS WILL PRESUMABLY GATHER AT ENTRANCE TO DOLDER WHERE THEY WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE PICTURES OF THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE.

3. WE CONTINUE TO HOPE THAT THREE PRESS ACCOMPANYING THE SECRETARY WILL REMAIN AT THE AIRPORT, WHERE FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE. IF, HOWEVER, THEY DECIDE TO COME INTO TOWN, TAXIS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

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AMBASSADOR ESFANDIARY STATED THAT A LOUNGE WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR

US CORRESPONDENTS AT THE DOLDER.

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